Sl. No.	Name of State	Cases filed since inception	Cases disposed of since inception	Cases Pending	% of Disposal	As on
9.	Delhi	183956	172252	11704	93.64	31.12.2007
10.	Goa	5487	4741	746	86.40	31.01.2008
11.	Gujarat	129974	109565	20409	84.30	31.12.2007
12.	Haryana	165155	148813	16342	90.11	30.11.2007
13.	Himachal Pradesh	45791	42977	2814	93.85	31.12.2007
14.	Jammu & Kashmir	19239	16749	2490	87.06	30.06.2006
15.	Jharkhand	27829	25115	2714	90.25	31.01.2008
16.	Karnataka	107704	103208	4496	95.83	31.01.2008
17.	Kerala	153108	143684	9424	93.84	31.01.2008
18.	Lakshadweep	53	53	0	100.00	31.01.2008
19.	Madhya Pradesh	119970	111418	8552	92.87	30.11.2007
20.	Maharashtra	187693	174188	13505	92.80	31.10.2007
21.	Manipur	968	962	6	99.38	30.09.2007
22.	Meghalaya	541	484	57	84.96	30.09.2007
23.	Mizoram	2387	1968	419	82.00	30.09.2007
24.	Nagaland	246	205	41	83.33	30.06.2006
25.	Orissa	71126	66726	4400	93.81	30.11.2007
26.	Puducherry	2446	2400	46	98.12	31.01.2008
27.	Punjab	107292	102091	5201	95.15	31.01.2008
28.	Rajasthan	213650	200146	13504	93.68	31.12.2007
29.	Sikkim	209	196	13	93.78	31.01.2008
30.	Tamil Nadu	85402	78253	7149	91.63	31.01.2008
31.	Tripura	1918	1713	205	89.31	31.12.2007
32.	Uttar Pradesh	439313	363236	76087	82.68	31.12.2007
33.	Uttarakhand	29035	27345	1690	94.18	31.01.2008
34.	West Bengal	65347	60977	4370	93.00	31.12.2007

Bogus ration cards

828. SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 40 per cent of the ration cards meant for the below poverty line are being held by people who are not poor,

(b) whether it is also a fact that as per study in Uttar Pradesh alone there are 11 million ration cards and same thing is with so many other States;

(c) if so, what Government has done to weed out bogus ration cards in the PDS and take action against the people who are involved in the racket;

(d) how many such cases have been identified during the last one year and the action taken thereon;

(e) whether Government has evaluated the performance of targeted PDS to know whether it reaches the targeted people; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH): (a) to (d) National Council for Applied Economic Research (NCAER) conducted a concurrent evaluation of TPDS during the 2006-07 in six states namely Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Rajasthan, Mizoram and Uttar Pradesh. NCAER in their report has mentioned that in case of AAY card holders, PDS food was being distributed quite satisfactory. In the case of BPL, almost all the six states had incidence od diversion. A statement-I showing the number of BPL Householders in 2000 as accepted bt Government of India & BPL ration cards issued by States & UT Governments as reported by 31.10.2008 is enclosed. (*See* below)

Through consultation with State/UT Governments, a nine-point action plan was evolved during 2006 for strengthening of TPDS, and curbing leakages and diversion, which is under implementation by State and UT Governments. A copy of the said Action Plan is enclosed as Statement II. (*See* below). One of the action points in it is to continuously review lists of BPL & AAY cards to eliminate bogus/fake/ineligible cards. Implementation of nine point action plan by State and UT Governments has led to deletion of about 65 lakh bogus/ineligible ration cards by 11 States/UTs while reviewing the existing lists of BPL/AAY households. Details are at enclosed Statement-III (*See* below). Instructions have been issued to States & UT governments to take action against persons found in possession of bogus/fake ration cards and those responsible for issuing them.

(e) and (f) The Government has taken a series of measures to streamline TPDS. The TPDS system is got evaluated from time to time for strengthening it. Programme Evaluation Organization (PEO) of Planning Commission, and ORG MARG, New Delhi evaluated the Targeted Public Distribution System and submitted their reports in 2005. Based on these reports the 9-point action plan was evolved.

Additionally, a revised Citizen's Charter has been issued recently for adoption and implementation by State/UT Governments for facilitating use by citizens of provisions of Right to Information (RTI) Act, 2005 in relation to functioning of TPDS.

Furthermore, to ensure that TDPS foodgrains reach the targeted families and to minimize scope for their diversion, APL allocations have been rationalized. Training Programmes for TPDS functionaries and Awareness campaign for TPDS beneficiaries are being taken up. Computerization of TPDS has been initiated. Use of new technologies such as Global Positioning System is being piloted. Revised policy on distribution of wheat flour has been issued.

Statement-I

The number of BPL households in 2000 as accepted by GOI & that of identified by the State Governments/UTs.

(As on 31.01.08)

Sl. No.	State/UT	No. of BPL households in 2000 (in lakhs)	Ration Cards by them (in lakhs)			excess/ less cards issued
			BPL	AAY	Total (BPL+AAY)	
1.	Andhra Pradesh	40.63	170.43	15.58	186.01	145.38
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	0.99	0.61	0.38	0.99	0.00
3.	Assam	18.36	12.02	7.04	19.06	0.70
4.	Bihar	65.23	40.70	24.29	64.99	-0.24
5.	Chhattisgarh	18.75	15.53	7.19	22.72	3.97
6.	Delhi	4.09	2.90	1.50	4.40	0.31
7.	Goa	0.48	0.13	0.15	0.28	-0.20
8.	Gujarat	21.20	26.56	8.10	34.66	13.46
9.	Haryana	7.89	5.38	2.92	8.30	0.41
10.	Himachal Pradesh	5.14	3.17	1.97	5.14	0.00
11.	Jammu & Kashmir	7.36	4.80	2.56	7.36	0.00
12.	Jharkand	23.94	14.77	9.18	23.95	0.01
13.	Karnataka	31.29	59.54	12.00	71.54	40.25
14.	Kerala	15.54	14.89	5.96	20.85	5.31
15.	Madhya Pradesh	41.25	44.03	15.82	59.85	18.60
16.	Maharashtra	65.34	48.35	24.64	72.99	7.65
17.	Manipur	1.66	1.02	0.64	1.66	0.00
18.	Meghalaya	1.83	1.13	0.70	1.83	0.00
19.	Mizoram	0.68	0.42	0.26	0.68	0.00
20.	Nagaland	1.24	0.77	0.47	1.24	0.00
21.	Orissa	32.98	37.59	12.65	50.24	17.26
22.	Punjab	4.68	3.49	1.79	5.28	0.60
23.	Rajasthan	24.31	16.53	9.32	25.85	1.54
24.	Sikkim	0.43	0.27	0.16	0.43	0.00
25.	Tamil Nadu*	48.63	149.65	18.65	168.30	119.67
26.	Tripura	2.95	1.82	1.13	2.95	0.00
27.	Uttar Pradesh	106.79	65.84	40.95	106.79	0.00
28.	Uttaranchal	4.98	3.37	1.51	4.88	-0.10
29.	West Bengal	51.79	37.88	14.80	52.68	0.89
30.	A&N Islands	0.28	0.12	0.04	0.16	-0.12
31.	Chandigarh	0.23	0.06	0.02	0.08	-0.15
32.	D&N Haveli	0.18	0.12	0.05	0.17	-0.01
33.	Daman & Diu	0.04	0.01	0.01	0.02	-0.02
34.	Lakshdweep	0.03	0.02	0.012	0.03	0.00
35.	Puducherry	0.84	1.12	0.32	1.44	0.60
TOTAL:		652.03	785.04	242.76	1027.80	375.77

*Separate figures of APL/BPL cards in Tamil Nadu are not available as there is no categorization on the basis of APL/BPL in the State.

Statement-II

9-Point Action Plan

(i) Continuous review of the BPL and AAY lists to eliminate bogus ration cards and to ensure coverage of only eligible BPL and Antyodaya families.

(ii) Ensuring leakage-free and diversion-free distribution of PDS commodities, regular inspection by different levels of functionaries, strict action against guilty persons/agencies.

(iii) Involvement of Panchayati Raj Institutions in PDS operations-PRI representatives on Advisory Committee, running of fair price shops by Panchayats and effective representation of Panchayati Raj representatives on Vigilance Committees.

(iv) Ensuring transparency in working of PDS, display of BPL and AAY lists by fair price shops, observance of notified timings by fair price shops.

(v) Use of Information Technology, Computerization of TPDS operations, display of fair price shop-wise and district wise allocations of PDS commodities on web-sites for public scrutiny.

(vi) Carryout door-step delivery of PDS commodities to fair price shops.

(vii) Ensuring timely availability of and issuance of foodgrains by fair price shops.

(viii) Creating awareness among public about PDS operations, training Vigilance Committes of intricacies of PDS operations.

(ix) Making fair price shops financially viable entities - allowing them to sell non PDS items etc.

Statement-III

The number of bogus/ineligible ration cards deleted by the State/UT Governments with effect from July 2006 onwards

Sl. No.	State	Year	BPL/AAY Lists & Nos. of bogus cards deleted (in lakhs)
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	2006-2007	10.46
2.	Assam	2006-2007	0.02
3.	Chhattisgarh	2006-2007	2.00
4.	Delhi	2006-2007	14.62
5.	Gujarat	2006-2007	0.36
6.	Karnataka	2006-2007	1.11
7.	Madhya Pradesh	2007-2008	24.87
8.	Orissa	2006-2007	2.50
9.	Uttar Pradesh	2006-2007	3.96
10.	Uttaranchal	2006-07&2007-08	0.14
11.	West Bengal	2006-2007	5.00
	TOTAL:		65.04